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SUBJECT: VISIT TO WASHINGTON BY THAI OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH REFUGEES

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1. WE JUST RECEIVED THE ITINERARY FOR THE TRIP TO LATIN AMERICA, WASHINGTON, AND GENEVA OF KEY THAI OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH REFUGEES. FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY INTERNATIONAL (FHI) IS FINANCING THE ENTIRE TRIP, SO PER DIEM FOR THE WASHINGTON PORITON WILL NOT BE NECESSARY (REF A). DULAL BORPUJARI, THE LOCAL FHI REPRESENTATIVE, WILL ESCORT THEM.

2. THE PARTY, BESIDES DULAL, NOW CONSITS OF THREE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR OFFICIALS: VINYU ANGKANARAK, UNDERSECRETARY; DUMRONG SOONTHORNSARATOON, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF LOCAL ADMINISTRATION; AND LT. COL. KAMOL PRACHUABMOH, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE DISPLACE PERSONS CENTER. THE FOURTH THAI IS ASA BOONYAPRATUANG, DEPUTY
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DIRECTOR GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. (THESE SPELLINGS ARE AS THE INDIVIDUALS TRANSLITERATE THEM; THEY DO NOT FOLLOW THE BOARD OF GEOGRAPHIC NAMES SYSTEM, NOR ARE THEY, IN SOME CASES, MORE THAN VAGUELY INDICATIVE OF PRONUNCIATION.)

3. THE DELEGATION HAS A TIGHT SCHEDULE. IT IS VISITING

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TEN COUNTRIES ON FOUR DIFFERENT CONTINENTS BETWEEN MAY 29
AND JUNE 16. DUMRONG WILL BREAK OFF AND RETURN DIRECTLY
TO THAILAND AFTER THE WASHINGTON PORTION OF THE VISIT.
SINCE THE DELEGATION WILL HAVE FLOWN ALL NIGHT FROM RIO,
ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON AT MID-DAY JUNE 7, IT REQUESTS THAT
MEETINGS IN WASHINGTON BE RESTRICTED TO THE MORNING OF
JUNE 8. PARTY HAS ASKED THAT WE LIMIT APPOINTMENTS TO CALLS ON
ASSISTANT SECRETARY DERIAN AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE
OR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OAKLEY. WINYU AND DUMRONG
INDICATED THAT THEY DID NOT WISH MEETINGS WITH VOLUNTARY
AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES OR OTHER EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCY
REPRESENTATIVES HOWEVER, EMBASSY WOULD RECOMMEND THAT
SENIOR DEPARTMENT OFFICER CONSIDER GIVING LUNCHEON FOR THE
THAI PARTY WHICH WOULD INCLUDE OTHER EXECUTIVE BRANCH AND
VOLUNTARY AGENCY REPS.

4. WINYU AND DAMRONG TOLD US THAT THEY ARE NOT AUTHORIZED
TO ENTER INTO "POLICY DISCUSSIONS" ON MAJOR PROBLEM AREAS
SUCH AS LOCAL SETTLEMENT IN THAILAND. RATHER THEY WOULD
HOPE FOR OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT "THE FACTS" REGARDING THE
THAI REFUGEE SITUATION AS WELL AS INFORMALLY EXCHANGE
VIEWS WITH DEPARTMENT OFFICERS ON REFUGEE SITUATION IN
GENERAL TERMS.

5. ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARTY CAN CARRY ON INTELLIGENT DIS-
CUSSIONS IN ENGLISH.
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6. THE ITINERARY FOLLOWS:

MONDAY, MAY 29 BANGKOK-TOKYO, PA 002
DEP 0700 - ARR 1750

TUESDAY, MAY 30 TOKYO-LOS ANGELES: PAA 002
DEP 1930 - ARR 1310

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31 LOS ANGELES-LA PAZ: BRANIFF 921
DEP 2010 - ARR 1015 PLUS 1 (VIA LIMA)

SATURDAY, JUNE 3 LA PAZ-BUENOS AIRES: LB 953
DEP 0800 - ARR 1300

SUNDAY, JUNE 4 BUENOS AIRES-RIO DE JANEIRO: SC 939
DEP 1500 - ARR 1905

MONDAY, JUNE 5 RIO DE JANEIRO - BRASILIA VP 282
DEP 0800 - ARR 0930

TUESDAY, JUNE 6 BRASILIA-RIO DE JANEIRO RG 409

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DEP 1700 - ARR 1830
RIO DE JANEIRO-WASHINGTON DC: PA 202
DEP 2230 - ARR 1130 PLUS 1

THURSDAY, JUNE 8 WASHINGTON DC - OTTAWA EA 172
DEP 2020 - ARR 2130

SUNDAY, JUNE 11 OTTAWA-MONTREAL: AC 178
DEP 1800 - ARR 1830
MONTREAL-LONDON: BA 074
DEP 2045 - ARR 0755 PLUS 1

MONDAY, JUNE 12 LONDON-GENEVA: BE 622
DEP 0935 - ARR 1100
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TUESDAY, JUNE 13 GENEVA-ROME: AZ 411
DEP 1355 - ARR 1615

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14 ROME- NEW DELHI: AZ 788
DEP 1600 - ARR 0430 PLUS 1

THURSDAY, JUNE 15 NEW DELHI-AGRA IC 407
DEP 0600 - ARR 0630
AGRA-NEW DELHI: IC 408
DEP 1440 - ARR 1510

FRIDAY, JUNE 16 NEW DELHI-BANGKOK: LH 660
DEP 0625 - ARR 1145
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